



**U.S. Immigration
and Customs
Enforcement**

September 16, 2013

Mr. Scriven King
Via MuckRock
P.O. Box 55819, DEPT. MR 5634
Boston, MA 02205-5819

RE: ICE FOIA Case Number 2013FOIA30234

Dear Mr. King:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), dated August 6, 2013. You have requested copies of records concerning ICE's Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) vehicles.

Your request has been processed under the provisions of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552. A search of the ICE National Firearms and Tactical Training Unit (NFTTU) was conducted for records that would be responsive to your request. Our search identified two documents totaling five pages. After review, I have determined that portions of those documents will be withheld pursuant to Exemption 7(E) of the FOIA as described below.

ICE has applied FOIA Exemptions 7(E) to protect from disclosure descriptions of the allocation and distribution of ICE law enforcement resources as well as descriptions of the capabilities of those resources.

FOIA Exemption 7(E) protects records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which would disclose techniques and/or procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law. I have determined that disclosure of certain law enforcement sensitive information contained within the responsive records could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law. Additionally, the techniques and procedures at issue are not well known to the public.

You have the right to appeal ICE's determination. Should you wish to do so, send your appeal and a copy of this letter to: U.S. Immigration Customs Enforcement, Office of Principal Legal Advisor, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Freedom of Information Office, 500 12th Street, S.W., Stop 5009 Washington, D.C. 20536-5009, following the procedures outlined in the DHS regulations at 6 C.F.R. § 5.9. Your appeal must be received within 60 days of the date of this letter. Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS regulations are available at www.dhs.gov/foia.

The Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) also mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you wish to contact OGIS, you may email them at ogis@nara.gov or call 1-877-684-6448.

If you need to contact our office about this matter, please refer to FOIA case number **2013FOIA30234**. This office can be reached at (866) 633-1182.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MPK' followed by 'FOR'.

Catrina M. Pavlik-Keenan
FOIA Officer

Enclosure(s): Your August 6, 2013 FOIA Request
5 pages

Date : Aug 6, 2013 19:47 GMT
To : 12023434011
From : fax@requests.muckrock.com
Subject: Follow up to Freedom of Information Request #2013-HQFO-00716

August 6, 2013
Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Privacy Office
Director, Disclosure & POIA
245 Murray Drive SW, Building 410
STOP-655
Washington, D.C. 20528-0655

This is a follow up to request number 2013-HQFO-00716:

The tactical vehicles I'm requesting information on are commonly referred to as MRAP (Mine Resistant Ambush Protected) and HMMV. I'm seeking any and all correspondence to their deployment in support of search warrants, physical security, and other law enforcement/security related operations. I'd also like any and all correspondence regarding your agency's current inventory of said vehicles and their current operational status. I'd also like any and all correspondence regarding training received by your personnel in using these vehicles. I'd also like a detailed list of agencies within your department who use these vehicles. Many thanks in advance.

Scriven King

On July 23, 2013:

A fix is required to perfect the request. The request has been rejected as being too vague, burdensome or otherwise unprocessable.

On July 14, 2013:

To Whom It May Concern:

I wanted to follow up on the following Freedom of Information request, copied below, and originally submitted on May 13, 2013. Please let me know when I can expect to receive a response, or if further clarification is needed.

Thank you for your help.

On June 14, 2013:

I'm writing to check on the status of my request. Please respond as soon as possible. Many thanks in advance.

Scriven King

On June 6, 2013:

Hello,

I am resubmitting the request below, which was originally submitted to the DHS FOIA email inbox on 13 May 2013 but which Angela Washington indicated had not been received. Please acknowledge receipt.

Thank you.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I hereby request the following records:

Any documents, purchase orders, manuals, and operating procedures for tactical vehicles in use by your agency.

I also request that, if appropriate, fees be waived as I believe this request is in the public interest. The requested documents will be made available to the general public free of charge as part of the public information service at MuckRock.com, processed by a representative of the news media press and is made in the process of news gathering and not for commercial usage.

In the event that fees cannot be waived, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Scriven King

On June 4, 2013:

I'm writing to check on the status of my request. Please respond as soon as possible. Many thanks in advance.

Scriven King

On May 14, 2013:

I'm writing to check on the status of my request. Please respond as soon as possible. Many thanks in advance.

Scriven King

On May 13, 2013:

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Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 30 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Scriven King

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For mailed responses, please address (see note):

MuckRock News

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PO Box 56819

Boston, MA 02205-56819

PLEASE NOTE the new address as well as the fact that improperly addressed (i.e., with the requester's name rather than MuckRock News) requests might be returned by the USPS as undeliverable.

Pavlik-Keenan, Catrina M

From: Schmidt, Lashawn
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2013 11:49 AM
To: Pavlik-Keenan, Catrina M
Cc: Law, Ryan A; Gowins, Ruthlee; Fuss, Louis T
Subject: ****Case Transfer - PRIV -ICE**** 2013-HQFO-00716
Attachments: [Untitled].pdf

Good Morning,

Attached is a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received at the DHS FOIA Office. Upon review of the request, I have determined that, if such records exist, they would be under your purview. Therefore, I am forwarding this request to your office for action. Please respond directly to the requester.

Thank you,

DHS FOIA
Privacy Office